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First, I pay a monthly fee to receive XM radio. Second, what a sad state of affairs this country has gotten into. It seems that the course of big government, a few big corporations, and groups is to slowly erode the rights and liberties of every tax paying American. Maybe, as in ancient Rome, the corruption within our infrastructure has reached a point that it is breaking down everything our forefathers, and soldiers of WW1 and WW2 fought against. TYRANNY. Due to the greed and jealousy of big business, any small company who comes along with a good idea or product and creates free competition - the Good Old Boys with the aid of our government squash it! Mark my words gentlemen - Rome fell due to corruption and greed. Guess what, every great world power in history has followed this course. Are we the greatest nation with the greatest form of government also going to allow history to repeat itself? I pray not. As a realist, however, I see no course of direction other than we are also following in the same footsteps as every great world power since the beginning of time. My late father was a self educated man and a recipient of the silver star from WWII. In the 50's, he began saying that this country was following the course of becoming a third world nation. I think he may have been right. As an Idealist, I would like to believe, that my words and those of so many, would be heard by the powers that be. However, as a realist, I know that is not the case. To think that the White House to buy a hammer costs over \$800, yet I can go to a hardware store and buy the same hammer for approximately \$15, what government waste! I'm sure you will feel the need to setup a sub-committee to review what needs to be done with XM radio. Again, a waste of time and tax dollars, only to satisfy the jealousy and greed of the NAB, who didn't come up with the idea first. May God have mercy on us for our deeds.